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Authorised Capital \$1,000,000
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Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 per cent.
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Hongkong, 30th November, 1897.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
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Paid-up Capital \$10,000,000
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For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per annum.
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T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, 12th February, 1898.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE BUSINESS of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per
cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
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DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
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HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, and June, 1897.

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THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE
COMPANY

has long taken the lead in SIMPLIFYING the
CONDITIONS and LIBERALISING the
CONTRACT of LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby
giving greatly increased Security to the Holders
of the Company's Policies.

For full Particulars and Rates,
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DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, and March, 1896.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undesignated AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000
EQUAL TO \$833,333.33
RESERVE FUND \$18,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SIN, Esq. LO YEEU MOON, Esq.

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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,

Hongkong, 17th December, 1895.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS on CURRENT RATES on Goods,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, Queen's Road West,

Hongkong, 26th May, 1894.

SIX PAIRS FOR \$10

Hongkong, 29th January, 1898.

TRY THE

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY CO.,

CENTRAL MARKET.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1898.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS
LONDON Shanghai R. A. Peters 10 A.M., 18th Feb., Freight or Passage.
LONDON &c. ... Ganges T. F. Green Noon, 19th Feb., See Special
JAPAN Roma S. de B. Lockyer, R.N.R. Daylight, 20th Feb., Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI Bengal L. M. Wibmer, R.N.R. About 20th Feb., Freight or Passage.
JAPAN Socorro J. Paine, R.N.R. About 25th Feb., Freight only.

LONDON Borneo F. C. A. Lyon, R.N.R. About 5th March., Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c. Sunda S. G. D. Andrews, R.N.R. About 5th March., via SHANGHAI.

For Further Particulars apply to
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THE CLUB HOTEL, LIMITED.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and
supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.
The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all
Mail Steamers.
Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager,

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897.

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CHAMPAGNE.

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QUALITY.

TRADE MARK.

Hong Name: GOLD LABEL \$31 \$33
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SOLE AGENTS:

H. PRICE & CO., No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1898.

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AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL

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NOTICE.

On and after the 1st February, the prices of BEEF, VEAL and MUTTON will be as follows:

BEEF—Sirloin, Steak and Rolls 13 cents per lb.
do. Soup Meat 10 do.
MUTTON—Leg and Chops 20 do.
do. Shoulder 18 do.
VEAL—Leg, Cutlets and Chops 13 do.

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY CO.,

CENTRAL MARKET.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1898.

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W. POWELL & CO.

SPECIAL OFFER FOR THE RACE WEEK

LADIES KID GLOVES.

BEST QUALITY.

SIX PAIRS FOR \$10

Hongkong, 29th January, 1898.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY. LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,
FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LIMITED, LONDON,
CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT,
MANUFACTURERS OF THE
BEST QUALITIES OF ASBESTOS GOODS AND PACKINGS,
HYDRAULIC AND SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS of all kinds.
"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.
ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities,
ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.
SUPERINTENDENT..... THOS. SKINNER.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents.

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING
OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the
OFFICES of the Company No. 14, Praya Central,
on MONDAY, the 21st February, 1898, at 12
o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the
report of the Directors and the Statement of
Accounts to the 31st December, 1897.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 7th to 1st February
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 29th January, 1898.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTYNINTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in
the COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
Victoria, on MONDAY, the 28th February, at
Twelve o'clock (NOON), for the purpose of re-
ceiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report
of the Directors for the year ending 31 Decem-
ber, 1897.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 28th
February, both days inclusive.

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 5th February, 1898.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

A N EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY
will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, on MON-
DAY, the 28th February at 12.15 o'clock P.M.,
when the subjoined Resolutions will be pro-
posed:

RESOLUTIONS.

That Articles Nos. 53 and 122 of the Articles
of Association of the Company be altered by
eliminating therefrom the word "February"
and substituting therefor the word "March."

That Article No. 7 be altered by inserting
the words "or Extra Reserve Fund" immedi-
ately after the word "Fund" in the sixth line
of the said Article, and the words "and Extra
Reserve Fund" immediately after the word
"Fund" in the seventh line of the said Article.

That Article No. 121 be altered by inserting
the words "and subject to the provisions of
Articles 121A and 121B" immediately after the
word "Fund" and before the word "be" in the
fourth line of such Article.

That Article No. 121 be altered by inserting
immediately after Article No. 121 and be num-
bered Articles 121A and 121B.

121A.—Although the Reserve Fund may
amount to the sum of One Million Dollars,
the Directors may nevertheless at their
discretion from time to time appropriate a
portion, not exceeding ten per cent. of the
net income and profit earned by the Com-
pany in any one year to the formation of an
additional Reserve Fund, to be called
"Extra Reserve Fund."

121B.—The monies standing at the credit of
the Extra Reserve Fund may be applicable for
the equalization of dividends, and such
monies, or some portion thereof, may,
whenever the Directors shall think fit, be
appropriated towards the equalization of
dividends."

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 5th February, 1898.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTYNINTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the above Company will be held
at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder Street,
on MONDAY, the 28th day of February, 1898,
at 12.30 of the Clock in the Afternoon, to receive
a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1897,
and the Report of the General Managers, and
to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th
February, both days inclusive.

By order of the Court of Directors.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1898.</

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.

C.O.DAP'S Advertisements.

NAVY LEAGUE.

M R. W. MACHELL has kindly consented to give an Address upon "Some popular fallacies regarding the Navy" in the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 21st of February, at 3.15 P.M. The general public of both sexes are invited to attend.

HENRY E. POLLOCK,
Hon. Secretary.

18, Bank Buildings,
18th February, 1898. [268]

THE HONGKONG COTTON, SPINNING,
WEAVING AND DYEING CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST
INSTALLMENT of \$1 per Share on the
shares in above COMPANY becomes due on the
NINETEENTH DAY OF MARCH
NEXT, and payment thereof must be made to
the Bankers of the Company, viz., the HONG-
KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
or on or before that date.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1898. [269]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

Captain Harris will be despatched as above
TO-MORROW, the 19th instant at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1898. [266]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GLENECK."

Captain T. Dakin, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1898. [270]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEEN-
LAND PORTS, and taking through Cargos
to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AIRLIE."

Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the
above Ports on SATURDAY, the 5th March,
at Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for
Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber
which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions,
Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the
Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

N.E. Return Tickets issued by this Company
to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return
by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1898. [271]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLY AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

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GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear compa-
rison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and
other Large Consumers.
Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1898. [30]

HEAD OFFICE
AND
FACTORY.

The Lok Lam,
Wanchai, Bowrington.

SPECIAL PAINT
Without Competition.

ORDINARY CEMENTTIGHT—For Buildings
of Stone, Brick and Plaster of Lime, Cement,
etc., &c.

CEMENTTIGHT OIL PAINT, No. 1—Advan-
tageously used for all Metallic Works,
Stainless, &c., &c.

CEMENTTIGHT OIL PAINT, No. 2—Made
with unchangeable Colours, for all applica-
tions.

CEMENTTIGHT OIL—For protecting Wood
from White Ants, Dampness, &c., &c.

BARRETTO & Co.,
Agents for CHINA and JAPAN.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1897. [29]

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

No. 6, Its House Street, Peppa Central.

Head Office—TOKIO.

Branch Offices—

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOMBAY,

SINGAPORE, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN,

NEWCHWANG and all Ports in JAPAN.

Agents—

Mitsui Coal Minas.

Okuma Coal Minas.

Kanada Coal Minas.

Tokyo Marine Insurance Co., Limited.

Meiji Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Imperial Government Paper Mills Japan.

Cotton Cleaning and Wkgs. Co., Shanghai.

Omura Chemical Company, Japan.

Kanegafuchi Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan.

The Milko Cotton Spinning Mill, Limited.

Tokyo Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan.

Hayashi Clock Factory,

Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [48]

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London
House, bought direct at first hand, imported in
wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all
intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply
the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on
Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month
before use. When required for drinking at once it
should be ordered to be decanted at the
Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinners
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claretts, including the lowest
priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are not
artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to
be pure Cognac, the difference in price being
merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brands.

THE SCOTCH WHISKY marked "X" is universally popular, and is pronounced to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be
genuine when bought direct from us in the
Colony or from our authorised Agents at the
Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [7]

MARRIAGE.

On the 20th January, at Shanghai, SAMUEL
CHILVER, to LOUISE ELKE.

DEATHS.

At Chefoo, on the 14th January, LILY, aged 5
years, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McMILLAN.

At Kobe, on February 6th, JOHN MORRISON,

formerly of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank
Corporation, aged 60.

THE Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Japanese have an incorrigible habit
of combining to defy and defeat law and
order. Not in other cases, but in this
section of ill-conditioned people; but if the
law comes down on a Japanese, he is

thus down on the law in man. It was
thus in Hawaii; admittedly the Japanese
were trying to befool the law, and when
they were detected and sent back to Japan,
Japanese warships were sent to Hawaii; a
big indemnity demanded; annexation was
in the air, and even war with the United
States was threatened. So in Thursday
Island there will soon be no possibility of
avoiding trouble, as long as the Japanese
retain their national characteristics. One
of them recently got drunk, and gave in
the streets an exhibition of that disgust-
ingly indecent behaviour which is euphe-
mistically termed "pristine simplicity of
manners." We do not say indecency is
inseparable from Japanese characteristics;
but we do say they have less hesitation
about using public roadways as urinals, and
flaunting their nakedness before the world,
than any race we know. So, this Thur-
day Island gentleman disported himself in
a way which is against all civilised laws.
A policeman attempted to arrest him. At
once the Japanese population of Thursday
Island assembled to vindicate their
country's honour. The police contrived to
get their prisoner away to the lock-up,
and a riot was avoided; but the Japanese
threatened that if the man was not released,
they would all "strike," and reduce the
Colony to submission. For a total cessation
of work by the Japanese there would be

about as serious a total cessation by
Chinese here. It is such things as this
that make the Japanese utterly undesirable
as colonists. The man admitted being
drunk and indecent and resisting the
police; but he must not be punished by
British authorities for breaking British law,
because he was Japanese and the whole
Japanese community was with him!

The Egyptians thought they were
plagued tenfold; but they didn't know how
happy they were really. They had no
Post Office with Chinese coolies as drama-
ticians thereof. A letter requiring to be
registered was sent to the Hongkong Post
Office a few days ago, with covering note—

Please receive one letter for Shanghai and
register.

The writing was as plain as print, and
the wording was precise and plain enough.
The coolie who took this to the P. O. was
told to wait for a receipt, but was sent
away by the P. O. dignitary with nothing
but an ordinary post-mark on his
covering-note; he was given to understand
that this "chop" was enough. Perhaps
it was, but there are printed receipts
if only the counter-coolie at the P. O.
would take the trouble to use them accord-
ing to regulation. So the chit was sent
back to the P. O. with a few words added—

Please give the coolie the receipt which is
customary, and oblige.

This was written just below the original
request to "receive letter for Shanghai;"
but the bronze Buddha in the Post Office
pigeon-hole was too much absorbed in
contemplative profundities to worry him.

self about giving the receipt. Perhaps a
bit of sealing wax had stuck to his seat
and he couldn't rise to go and get the
document desired. Or perhaps he felt
languid in this warm weather. Or perhaps
he had a bone in his leg and couldn't walk
much. Anyhow he didn't give the receipt;
he simply scrawled across the chit,
"Where was the letter addressed to?"
This query, b6 it noted, was written just
below the statement (previously made)
that the letter was addressed to Shanghai,
—2½ inches below. And by this time
the Shanghai mail had gone of course.

and a holder of the sixth order of merit, was
arrested yesterday on charges of fraud, alleged
to have been committed at Chashwah and
Rokko. The departure of Judge Tokio, referred
to in a previous telegram, is in connection with
this case.

TOKYO, February 8th.
The amount of the proposed Chinese domestic
loan is one hundred million taels.

The Minister for Finance has issued a notice
that on the 7th instant War Loan Bonds
to the amount of 45,000 yen were issued at the
rate of 1% per cent.

SCOUT, February 8th.
Preparations for the establishment of the
Russia-Korean Bank have been rapidly progressing,
and the preliminary office has been established.

MIVASAKI, February 8th.
Mount Krishima has been showing signs of
activity. Rumbling noises have been heard,
and black smoke is being emitted from the
crater.

NAGASAKI, February 8th.
The British man-of-war "Highflyer" has left for
Kobe.

The Russian Volunteer Fleet S.S. "Voronej"
has left for Kobe, for the purpose, it is said, of
shipping stores for the Russian men-of-war.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.66 per £.

There will be a cricket match between the H.
K. C. C. and a team from the Navy to-morrow.

An opium fiend was fined \$50 with the alterna-
tive of two months' imprisonment at the
Police Court. His records include a fine of \$100
in October last.

SIX weeks' "hard" and a fine of \$50, in default
two months, was what a Chinaman got at the
Police Court to-day for attempting to trade in
ammunition with the mainland.

THE new Fish-Suicide is recommended to fled
peasants. You pitch the fishing-lines to the
trigger, put the muzzle of the gun in your mouth,
and the fish (if there is any) does the rest.

GRILLED meat cost a Chinaman twenty-one
days' imprisonment. He stole five pounds of
beef from Murray Barracks and put it round his
body, but he was caught by Sergt. Wilkinson.

THE twin-record. A St. Louis (U. S. A.) woman
has just given birth to her fourth consecutive
pair of twins. She is but 18 years of age. The
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal goes
ball for the facts.

TELEGRAPHIC news has reached Yokohama of
the death of Mr. Adamson, well-known to many
residents in the East as the principal partner in
the late firm of Adamsen, Bell & Co. The
deceased owned considerable property in Yoko-
hama.

WHAT "Brownie" won't "murmur" in our
evening contemporary to-morrow:—That the
Hongkong Telegraph is likely to be infected
in this colony which is outside of the district
declared by the Sanitary Board to be infected
with small

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.

ALLIED ARSON.

A Chinese woman was placed on trial charged with having attempted to set fire to a dwelling house in Tsim Suet about six weeks ago. The Attorney-General prosecuted.

A quantity of evidence was given, in substance the same as that published in our police court reports.

The jury returned a verdict of "not guilty" and the prisoner was discharged.

A CHARGE OF LARCENY.

Li-Fook was placed on trial charged with the theft of money and valuable articles worth £60. Prince, who was undefended, pleaded not guilty, and the Attorney-General prosecuted.

On the first charge of obtaining valuable by means of a trick he was found not guilty and then the prisoner was placed on trial on the second count of stealing.

(Case proceeding.)

MORE MOBBING OF U.S. NAVY MEN IN JAPAN.

In Japan, when blue-jackets get leave ashore, they are regarded as the lawful prey of the police, who regularly make money out of them by arresting them (with or without excuse—usually without) and taking them on board the warship and claiming rewards, the favourite trick being to detain them ashore till the expiry of leave, and then claim the premium for apprehending deserters. From the *Japan Herald*, which gives a lengthy account of a recent fracas in Yokohama between several American blue-jackets and the Japanese police assisted by the mob, we learn that the latter used "sticks, stones and abusive language with the utmost impartiality." When one of the blue-jackets, overpowered by numbers, had been thrown down by the police, a coolie was on the point of striking his prostrate body with a club, when a foreigner interposed to prevent him. Enraged at being thus frustrated, the coolie watched his opportunity, and when the foreigner's back was turned, the coolie suddenly made a savage rush and struck him to the earth with the club, the blow falling upon his left temple, and inflicting a severe wound, from which the blood flowed freely. Undaunted by an injury which might well have prompted him to retire from the scene of hostilities, the injured man regained his feet, and with the blood streaming down his face, gave chase to the scoundrel who had attacked him. Major Ellis of the Salvation Army, hearing cries of "Stop him!" emerged from the Army bar-room and seizing the coolie, threw him to the ground, where he held him until his partner arrived, who, after giving his victim assailant a taste of his quality by half choking him, and administering several vigorous and scientific "blows" in the lower maulaway region, marched him off to the Settlement Police Station. Meanwhile the police were having a lively time with the blue-jackets. One of the latter, who enjoys a well-deserved reputation as a jester, further approved his claim by "laying on" in rapid succession some half dozen policemen. The blue-jackets, however, were finally subdued and marched off to the *Asiatique* for the night. They were taken on board next morning. Major Ellis, we hear, has been warned by friendly Japanese to be on his guard and not to venture forth at night, as the friends of the coolie whom he helped to arrest have vowed vengeance against him.

Subsequently a crowd of about one hundred and fifty surrounded the bar-rooms door of the Salvation Army, and one man, approaching a blue-jacket, said in an insolent manner that he owed him six yen for a pair of slacks. The blue-jacket denied that he owed a cent, admitted his readiness to listen to argument, and assured the Japanese that if he could prove his claim he would at once pay the money. A Japanese policeman was appealed to by several foreigners present, but declined to set in the matter, and to save trouble the blue-jacket accepted the offer of six yen by another signor to save himself the degradation of public arrest and a night at the police station.

FROM TONKIN TO INDIA?

The appearance of Prince Henry of Orleans' book "From Tonkin to India" could scarcely have been more appropriate than at the present time, when general attention is directed towards the Far East. Prince Henry gives us the story of his year's journey from Hanoi, in Tonquin, to Sadiya, in British India. Prince Henry was accompanied by two other Frenchmen—MM. Raux and Blivet. One is interested in noting that in the early stages of the journey much of the merchandise commonly seen by Prince Henry was of English origin. In recording this fact the author deplores the slowness shown by France in the development of her commerce with China. He complains that the French houses do not study, as do the English, the taste and pockets of the natives, and he insists upon the danger of France "playing the rôle of hare to the English tortoise." Frequently Prince Henry discovered upon entering what he presumed to be hitherto unexplored districts in Yunnan that English travellers had been in advance of him, and at one of the most northerly places he reached—a place where the besieged people seemed scarcely even aware that China was at war with Japan—he was astonished to encounter a cultured English woman. Wishing of French timorous diplomacy, as compared with English colonial enterprise and English administrative alertness, Prince Henry gives expression to the following significant reflections:

France has gained a diplomatic victory; it was most guard against an industrial defeat. Our neighbours, who know full well that railways are the means of real colonization, think to establish a line running from Mandaiay in the direction of Xerhong (Klang-Hung). Nay, more, the first rails have been laid. It imports us to resort to this new move of England with a similar one of our own; and to this end it is absolutely necessary for us also to have a railway penetrating China. We have a long lead in the matter of positions; but again I repeat, beware of the fable of the hare and the tortoise. It is impossible to forecast the future. But a moment may be predicted when the framework of China will fall to pieces, and then—first come first served—those that have the best perfected scheme of communication will win.

Most of the country traversed had never been explored, and the description of it affords much valuable information, especially about a district called Khamti! "A splendid territory, fertile in soil and abundant in water, where tropical and temperate culture flourish side by side, and the inhabitants are protected on three fronts by mountains." And, then, apostrophising the people of this favoured land, the Prince exclaims:—

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MR BALFOUR'S DECLARATIONS ABOUT CHINA.

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CALENDAR.

FEBRUARY.
Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1895.

Barometer 30.741

Thermometer 57.3

Humidity 79.0

Rainfall 1.76

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SACAMI MARU	SHANGHAI, JINSEN, SHIMO	SUNDAY, 20th February, at Daylight.
T. Mori	NOSEKI and KOBE	
TOKIO MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO-HAMA	MONDAY, 21st February, at 4 P.M.
E. W. Howell		
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J. Nisai		
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